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RURAL LIFE AND RURAL SCHOOL CONFERENCE NUMBER NORMAL HEIGHTS

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THE RURAL LIFE CONFERENCE

No greater program has ever been offered free to any people than the Rural Life Conference will give to the people of Kentucky.

The part the rural people must play in winning the war will receive much attention.

Next year you will be a better farmer or teacher or home maker or superintendent, or else you will be a poorer one. Of course you want to do better, then come to the Conference.

Success in farming is a problem of production, transportation and marketing. All these phases will be discussed in the Conference.

Physical efficiency is absolutely necessary to great progress. Come and get into the spirit of the movement for better health in rural Kentucky.

Western Kentucky is not realizing one-fourth of what she might in the production of poultry and eggs. Come and let us plan together.

Our boys are going to France by the million. Can't you come to Bowling Green by the thousand and help us plan to avoid the mistakes at home.

Better home making means a better and a happier life in the country. The whole problem of making better homes will be a part of the work of the Conference.

The rural school and the country church must realize their duty and their opportunity, if country life is to be prevented from decay. The Conference will devote much time to these problems.

You want to be a better citizen, a better patron of school, a better churchman, a better farmer, a better road man, a better father, a better husband, a better man socially, a greater success financially. These are nine reasons why you should come to the Rural Life Conference. What reasons can you give why you should not come?

The boys of today will be the farmers and citizens of tomorrow. Send the boys to the Conference, or better come and bring them.

The girls of today will be the mothers and home makers tomorrow. We shall welcome all the girls.

The government is pleading in letters and telegrams for women trained in conservation and production of food to help. This is one of our Conference problems.

The school trustee is the most important of all officers to the community. Our programs will be especially inspiring to trustees.

If every boy could raise a pig by the best known methods, 250,000 boys would be started toward success, and Kentucky would do

THE RURAL LIFE AND RURAL SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND THE WAR

There is but one question, but one over-mastering purpose, but one patriotic business before the liberty-loving people of the world today, and that is the monumental task of carrying the flag of democracy to victory.

There is but one business and that is the business of vindicating, defending and perpetuating human rights and justice.

There is but one business and that is the business of vanquishing an intoxicating militarism that is seeking to take from us our liberties and to rule the world through the employment of a ruthless military machine.

If we lose our liberties, we lose everything that is worth while.

Democracy is now engaged in a bloody and dangerous battle for its very existence.

It is fighting. Are you in the fight?

Every citizen of a democracy has, without any choice of his, inherited an affirmative responsibility, and he cannot stay out of the fight or be indifferent or negative without challenging his own patriotism.

Every patriot must fight from the home, from the furrow, from the bank account or else give his blood, or do both, in order to meet the demands of the noble and strenuous patriotism of this hour.

We can help democracy by attending the Rural Life and Rural School Conference and studying the interpretations of the needs of the hour, which will be made in sectional and mass meetings, and then returning to our respective communities better prepared to exercise an influence that will prompt an enlistment of everything material and spiritual behind the flag.

We can help democracy by using our influence in having a large delegation of citizens from every county in the Commonwealth to attend the Rural Life Conference.



The war is interpreting the "Spirit of '76" as no other influence has illuminated its noble principles. We are understanding today, as never before, that a noble defense of the flag begins in the houses occupied by our own souls. This is a good time for us to remember that there is a patriotism of self-regeneration, of personal resurrection, of self-mastery, of self-sacrifice, of spiritual initiative, of individuality, and of noble endeavor, a patriotism that calls on us to give our lives if necessary for liberty.

The real flag of a democracy cannot be seen with the physical eye. It is spiritual, it is invisible, it is a vitalized human personality. I am not discounting a sacred approach to and appreciation for the material flag—the emblem of liberty—that unfurls its sacred folds before us, but I am emphasizing that the roots of pure and undefiled patriotism run deep into the laws of spirit, into personal conduct. The visible American flag may be floating before us out in the open world, while it is down in the invisible world of our own soul. Our deeds are mirrors in which we should see the flag.

her part in producing meat and inoculation at the Conference. free fats. Pig growing is one of our of charge. subjects.

No state can ever rise higher

The farmers and rural school than it wants to rise. Let us get people often need to be inoculated, together and see how high we should desire to go.

Music and drama and a great pageant by the school children will be given for entertainment.

It is in the time of leisure that men go wrong, not when busy at

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GREAT THOUGHTS BY GREAT MEN

There is no surer bond between a man and his country than that he shall be a bondholder of his country. Let us see that this Liberty Loan bond issue is a bond issue of the democracy.—Theodore Roosevelt.

This is not a banker's war, or a farmer's war, or a manufacturer's war, or a laboring man's war. It is a war for every straight-out American whether our flag be his by birth or by adoption.—President Woodrow Wilson.

A nation which declares war and goes on discussing whether it ought to have declared war or not is impotent, paralyzed, imbecile, and earns the contempt of mankind and the certainty of humiliating defeat and subjection to foreign control.—Elihu Root.

He who proposes peace now, either does not see the stake for which the Allies are fighting, or wishes the German military autocracy still to control the destinies of us all as to peace or war.—William Howard Taft.

The right is more precious than peace, and we fight for the things we have always carried nearest our hearts.—President Woodrow Wilson.

Sacrifice and service must come from every class, every profession, every party, every race, every creed, every section.—President Woodrow Wilson.

No matter how great the sacrifice we are called upon to make, no matter how much treasure we destroy, no matter how many lives we lose of those we love, we should thank God that the cause is worthy of them all.—William Howard Taft.

We must make the world safe for democracy.—Woodrow Wilson

The American people have suffered intolerable wrongs from the Imperial German Government.—Robert Lansing.

This great war draws us all together, makes us all comrades and brothers.—Woodrow Wilson.

THE NATION'S NEEDS

"From high government officials, from the men who bear the brunt of responsibility for the conduct of the war and the men who see most clearly the demands which will be made upon America in the era of reconstruction which will follow the war, from economists and publicists and captains of industry, there is being sounded a note of warning and of counsel, a challenge to parents and youth, which may be expressed in these words:

"The supreme need of the nation in the present and in the immediate future is the need of a trained leadership."

EX-PRESIDENT WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT; HONORABLE P. G. HOLDEN, LIEUTENANT PAUL PERIGORD, OF THE FRENCH ARMY, A NOTED FIGHTER AND ORATOR; AND MANY OTHER MEN OF WORLD-WIDE REPUTATION WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM OF THE CONFERENCE. BEGIN NOW TO MAKE YOUR ARRANGEMENTS TO ATTEND THIS GREAT MEETING, AND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE MANY OPPORTUNITIES IT WILL OFFER FOR AN IMPROVED SOCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LIFE.

THE RURAL LIFE AND RURAL SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND THE CONVOCATION OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS

NORMAL HEIGHTS, BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY.

Beginning Tuesday Evening, February 19th, and Closing Friday Evening, February 22, 1918

Great programs of lecture, round-table and demonstration work offered free to the public.

The war, conservation, better homes, better churches, better schools, better agriculture, better roads, better health, etc., will be discussed by experts.

The program is built upon the demands of the hour and is instructive and constructive from beginning to end.

The classroom work of the Western Normal will be suspended while the conference is in session and the work of the Conference will take the place of the work of the school.

Many of the most advanced national thinkers will participate in the programs.

Hundreds of citizens from every section of the State will attend.

The second annual session of the Rural Life and Rural School Conference and the regular annual session of the Convocation Superintendents of the Western Kentucky State Normal School will convene in the auditorium of the institution at 8:00 p. m., Tuesday, February 19th, and close Friday evening, February 22d. One of the highest grade programs ever arranged in this country has been arranged and every effort is being made to make the meeting even surpass the remarkable meeting which was held on last year and which was regarded by all who attended as one of the most successful, if not the most successful conference ever held in this country.

The great program which will be rendered will be a careful study of the needs of the State and country and it will at the same time offer a definite program of action that can be put into operation in the different sections of the Commonwealth. There will be inspirational and instructive addresses by citizens of world wide reputation, but much of the time will be utilized by dividing the assembly of people into departments and divisions and having experts of national reputation to work with each division, giving definite instruction.

The annual Convocation of County Superintendents of the Western Normal will convene on Normal Heights during the Rural Life Conference. We earnestly desire to make this meeting of the County Superintendents the most profitable that has ever been held. No Superintendent can afford to be absent. The work that will be done will be of the highest order.

A complete program and full information concerning the Conference is given in this publication. Every former student and progressive citizen in Kentucky is urged to attend and to influence others to attend. Let's make the Conference a real force in the work of stimulating effective social and industrial development.

PROGRAM

Tuesday, February 19, 1918.

GENERAL SESSION

Hour—8 p. m.

Place—Normal Auditorium.

Music.

Scriptural Reading.

Prayer.

Music.

Opening Statement—President H. H. Cherry.

Music.

Address—Lieut. Paul Perigord, the noted soldier and orator of the French Army.

Moving Pictures.

Wednesday, February 20th.

DEPARTMENT MEETINGS.

All section or department meetings will meet from 8 to 10 a. m. and at the places given below:

SECTION 1, OR AGRICULTURE

AND HOME-MAKING DEPARTMENT

In Training School Chapel.

A Forum: All phases of agriculture and home-making, including production, conservation, and other things, will be discussed by noted experts, who will be present and engage in the discussions. Every item connected with the farm and the home and its relation to the winning of the war, will be considered. This meeting will be devoted to round table discussions and a careful study of the vital questions of the home and agriculture with a view of interpreting the responsibility and obligation every citizen owes his country during this particular crisis.

These discussions will be highly interesting and educational and everyone who possibly can, should be present at every meeting.

SECTION 2, OR RURAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

In Auditorium.

Forum: The one-teacher school.

1. Its probable future.
2. Its advantages and disadvantages.
3. Special training for one-room school teachers.
4. House and equipment.

5. Need of effective supervision.

6. Illustrated lecture.

All persons interested in the one-teacher schools should come to this meeting. Prominent people in the State and nation will take part in the program.

SECTION 3, OR BOYS' DEPARTMENT

In Room 38.

Forum: The Boys' Pig Club.

At this meeting there will be a discussion of the best method of growing pigs to make them large, a consideration of the food requirements and how to feed; a study of balanced rations for pigs and how to balance them; a study of the self feeder for hogs, and hog houses; lastly, a study of the value of hogs on the farm as a means of keeping up the fertility of the soil, as a means of profit. Stereopticon pictures will accompany this discussion showing the proper method of feeding, housing, and the various types and breeds of hogs. This will be instructive and interesting to all and especially to the club boys, and no one should be absent on this occasion.

SECTION 4, OR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS' DEPARTMENT

In Room H.

The County Superintendents of Western Kentucky will all be present. They will meet on Wednesday morning and elect their own officers and provide for such meetings and discussions as they may see fit. Prominent educators from

within and without the State will address this section from time to time.

GENERAL SESSION.

Wednesday.

Time—10 a. m.

Place—Auditorium.

Music.

Prayer.

Address—T. P. Cooper, Dean College of Agriculture, State University.

PAGEANT.

The following Pageant will be given by students of the Western Normal:

LA BARBE BLEUE

(In French.)

The well known story of Bluebeard, given by the classes in French, under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Woods, teacher of French in Western Kentucky State Normal School.

Scene I.

Courtship of Bluebeard. He gives a house party, making a great display of his wealth in order to make a favorable impression on three sisters who are among his guests. He is repulsed at first, but urged by her mother, the youngest sister finally listens to his suit.

Scene II.

A rainbow wedding and an unwelcome guest at the banquet which follows.

Scene III.

Bluebeard departs on a journey leaving his keys in the keeping of his bride, who is given permission to unlock all the doors in the house

except one. As soon as he has gone, friends flock in to see the riches of the new-made bride. Taunted by them about her promise not to open the forbidden door, she determines to see what is inside.

Scene IV.

Inside the forbidden cabinet. A red stain on the key that will not come off. A ghostly dance.

Scene V.

Unexpected return of Bluebeard and hurried departure of guests. The red stain on key betrays the bride's disobedience. Her rescue by the timely arrival of her two brothers.

Wednesday Afternoon.

The Senior Class of the Western Normal will have charge of the program. No other meetings will be held at the same hour, but all are urged to hear the great program which has been arranged by the Senior Class of the institution.

Hour—2 o'clock.

Place—Auditorium.

Symposium—How we can improve our rural school attendance.

The discussion will center about the following conditions that confront us as obstacles of good attendance:

1. General farm work.
2. Illness.
3. Poverty.
4. Indifference.

Each of these topics will be subdivided and discussed in its different phases.

Slides will be shown, illustrating actual conditions and concrete examples of improvement.

Following the symposium there will be a round table discussion.

GENERAL SESSION.

Wednesday.

Time—7:30 p. m.

Place—Auditorium.

Scriptural Reading.

Prayer.

Announcements.

Round Table: The War.

Address—T. J. Coates, President Eastern Normal.

Address—Dr. Frank L. McVey, President State University.

Moving Pictures.

Thursday.

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SECTION 2, OR RURAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

In Auditorium.

General Topic: The rural schools and our civic life.

Round table and general discussion:

1. The rural schools and the war.
2. The rural schools and thrift.
3. The rural schools and democracy.
4. The rural schools and transportation.
5. General civic instruction for our schools.

Prominent men and women will be present and lead the discussions. All teachers, superintendents and others interested in rural schools are invited to attend and take part in the program.

SECTION 3, OR BOYS' DEPARTMENT.

In Room 38.

A discussion of birds and their relation to the farmer.

1st. The economic value of birds to the farmer, a consideration of their feeding habits as to whether they are helpful or harmful to farm operations, etc.

2d. A discussion of the enemies of birds, such as the cat, reptiles, owls, English Sparrows, etc., and how to protect our bird friends from them.

3d. A consideration of what can be done to attract and protect the birds, such as building houses for them to nest in and feeding racks for them to feed in during



ALFALFA THREE FEET HIGH Grown in Caldwell County by Charles Ratliff.



Corn will be discussed by experts at the Conference. The hundreds of boys who will attend will be given unprecedented opportunities to learn how to grow corn.

PATRIOTIC CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN A GREATER KENTUCKY AND IN ENLISTING THE MATERIAL POWER OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN THE NOBLE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM SHOULD USE EVERY EFFORT WITHIN THEIR POWER TO INFLUENCE LARGE DELEGATIONS OF CITIZENS FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE. SEND IN THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PERSONS WHOM YOU DESIRE TO ATTEND AND WHO SHOULD ATTEND, AND WE WILL HAVE PLEASURE IN FORWARDING THEM A COPY OF THIS PUBLICATION ACCOMPANIED WITH A LETTER.

snowy weather, baths, and general attractiveness of the home.

4th. A study of their color markings and songs. In this connection stereopticon pictures will be thrown on the screen to show their color markings and at the same time special bird records will be used to give the bird notes and calls of the various birds.

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GENERAL SESSION.

Thursday.

Time—10 a. m.

Place—Auditorium.

A Forum: The schools and rural life in general.

Combined meeting of all sections.

1. The rural schools and health.

2. The rural school and industrial efficiency.

3. The rural schools and social life.

4. The rural schools and moral training.

5. The rural schools and appreciation.

6. The rural schools and general information.

The ablest men and women in the Conference will attend this meeting and give us the value of their training and experience.

V. O. Gilbert, Superintendent of Public Instruction, will open the discussion.

Thursday Afternoon.

Time—2 p. m.

Place—Auditorium.

A Forum: Kentucky's relation to the war.

All the various organizations that are working in the interest of the war and the democracy of the world will be represented, most of them by heads of the various organizations for the State.

This will include: The County Council Section of the State Council of Defense, the State Food Administration, the Fuel Administration, the War Savings, the Red Cross, the Liberty Bond Division, the Woman's Work, the Four Minute Men and all other war activities.

Prominent men and women in the State and nation will be present and present the claims of these various activities and point out the work that should be done by all loyal citizens at home.

GENERAL SESSION.

Thursday.

Time—7:30 p. m.

Place—Auditorium.

Music.

Prayer.

Music.

Round Table.

Address—By a noted representative of the National Department of Agriculture and National Department of Food Administration.

Moving Pictures.

Friday.

RAISING OF THE SERVICE FLAG OF WESTERN NORMAL.

GENERAL SESSION.

Time—10 a. m.

Place—Auditorium.

One of the interesting features



EX-PRESIDENT WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT WHO WILL MAKE TWO ADDRESSES ON THE WAR DURING THE RURAL LIFE AND RURAL SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

of the programs to be given during the Rural Life Conference will be the raising, with appropriate ceremony, of the State Normal Service Flag. On this beautiful emblem will appear a star for each student of the school who is now at the front or in the service of his country, and thus will show in a fitting manner the veneration in which the institution holds her honored sons who have sacrificed former ambitions and the rewards of successful business life, and who stand ready to give up their lives if necessary, for the preservation of our liberty and peace. It would be impossible for the State Normal School to show by word or act its full measure of respect for its four hundred loyal sons at the front. This ceremony is one of the many expressions of patriotic devotion observed by the institution.

We give below the program that will be rendered:

Music.

Scriptural Reading.

Prayer.

Music.

The raising of the Service Flag and patriotic greetings by students from the fifty-one counties of the Western Normal District and from Eastern Kentucky and from other states.

Music.

GENERAL SESSION.

Friday.

Time—1:30 p. m.

Place—Auditorium.

PAGEANT.

Democracy Triumphant: A

Pageant by Mattie Louise Hatcher,

Supervisor of Training School of the Western Normal. Given by the children of Training School under the direction of the teachers of friends. The second episode represents the Spirits of the Allies coming to her assistance. After these attractive scenes have passed, Europa realized that she can obtain peace only by calling upon Democracy. In penitence she falls upon her knees, and Democracy, attended by Faithfulness, Courage and Truth, enters, and mounts the pedestal. Europa lays her crown upon the pedestal, the nations of the earth enter, and the mid darkness and crashing Hallelujah Chorus breaks forth.

The Pageant, Democracy Triumphant, written and copyrighted by Miss Hatcher, consists of three episodes. Upon the curtain rising, Europa is discovered asleep. She rises from her troubled slumber and calls for aid. There is an immediate response from Servian, Russian, French, Belgian, British and Italian armies. Upon their departure there is noise of battle, and the mid darkness and crashing Hallelujah Chorus breaks forth.

The music, a special feature of the Pageant, has been selected by Prof. Strahm, head of the Music Department of the Western Normal.

Address—Ex-President William Howard Taft.

MOVING PICTURES.

Immediately following the moving pictures a sky-rocket will be shot from the top of Normal Hill, which will, after reaching an elevation of several hundred feet, explode and unfold a large American flag borne by a parachute. This will be an inspiring scene that no one should miss.

GENERAL SESSION.

Friday.

Time—7:30 p. m.

Place—Auditorium.

Music.

Prayer.

Music.

Presentation of Governor A. O. Stanley, who will make an address, then introduce Ex-President Wm. Howard Taft, who will discuss the war.

Music.

Benediction.

BOARD FOR THOSE WHO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE

The Western Normal has appointed a committee to look after securing suitable boarding for all persons who attend the Rural Life and Rural School Conference. Many elegant private homes have been located as well as other places where splendid rooming and boarding accommodations can be had at a nominal rate. The committee will have pleasure in meeting persons and delegations at the train and accompanying them to such boarding places as they may desire. Every detail has been worked out. The hotels offer splendid accommodations at reasonable rates.

The Rural Life Conference

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work. Let us study what to do with leisure in the country.

Every boy and girl in rural Kentucky could save at least a little money. We want to discuss saving in this time of need.

The county superintendents are the hope of our rural schools. They will all be here and planning for greater and better rural schools.



EVERY COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT IN THE WESTERN KENTUCKY DISTRICT IS EARNESTLY URGED TO BE PRESENT AT THE RURAL LIFE AND RURAL SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND CONVOCATION OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS, WHICH BEGINS IN BOWLING GREEN ON THE EVENING OF THE 19TH AND CLOSES ON THE EVENING OF THE 22ND OF FEBRUARY. SINCERE EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO HAVE EVERY ONE OF THE FIFTY-ONE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE DISTRICT PRESENT. COMMENCE NOW TO MAKE YOUR ARRANGEMENTS TO BE PRESENT AT EVERY PROGRAM. THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS WILL HAVE THEIR OWN DEPARTMENTAL MEETING. THEY WILL ORGANIZE AND DISCUSS SUCH QUESTIONS AS ARE MOST VITAL TO THEIR WORK. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, NOTED EXPERTS WILL SPEAK AT THEIR MEETINGS.

SPECIAL TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Weather conditions have made it impossible for many prospective students, who live in the rural sections, to reach Bowling Green for the opening of the mid-winter term on the 29th.

Other student teachers have not closed their schools and will not be able to enter until later.

We urge every prospective student, who can possibly do so, to come ahead and enter at the earliest possible time. The institution will make an earnest effort to classify every one, and to give proper work, regardless of the time he may enter.

AN ARRAY OF EXPERT TALENT

The following leaders, representing the different phases of the progressive work of the State, in addition to those listed on the programs of the regular sessions, will attend the Rural Life and Rural Conference and participate in the programs:

McHenry Rhoads, Supervisor Secondary Schools.

Geoffrey Morgan, State Agent Extension Work, State University.

Fred Mutchler, Director Agriculture Extension Work, State University.

V. O. Gilbert, State Superintendent, Public Instruction.

Otis Kercher, Extension Agent Boys' Clubs.

E. G. Nelson, District Agent Extension Work.

E. S. Goode, Head Department Animal Husbandry, State University.

Geo. Roberts, Head Department of Agronomy, State University.

Mrs. Helen B. Walcott, State Agent Home Demonstration Work.

Miss Mary E. Sweeney, Head Home Economics Work.

James Speed, Editor Farm and Home.

Mat S. Cohen, State Commissioner of Agriculture.

Dr. W. L. Heizer, Secretary Tuberculosis Commission.

Dr. J. N. McCormack, Secretary State Board of Health.

J. V. Chapman, State Rural School Inspector.

F. C. Button, State School Inspector.

Many other leaders and progressive workers and thinkers not mentioned above will be present and participate in the round table discussions. A large number of the foremost farmers of the State, who have made an eminent success of their endeavors, will attend and give the Conference the benefit of

their experiences. A great program of patriotic work awaits every person who attends.

THE KENTUCKY WAR DEPARTMENTS.

All of the departmental meetings of the Conference will hold a joint session on Thursday afternoon, at which time the heads or representatives of the different war departments of the State will have an opportunity to present the work of their respective departments. The discussion will be opened by Edward W. Hines, Chairman of the Kentucky Council of Defense, and he will be followed by F. M. Sackett, State Federal Food Administrator, Wiley B. Bryan, State Federal Fuel Administrator, James B. Brown, State Director National War Savings Committee, Frank C. Greene, Director Red Cross Work of Kentucky, Mrs. Helm Bruce, Chairman of Kentucky Woman's Committee, Council National Defense, Richard R. Williams, Chairman Four-Minute Men, Robert Vaughn, Secretary Chairman of Chamber of Commerce, C. A. Tevebaugh, Secretary Y. M. C. A. War Work, and others.

A BLUNDER TO AVOID

"We are in danger of making a most serious mistake—a mistake already made by other nations—the mistake of seeing only the needs of today and of failing to provide for the greater needs of the years just before."

"We must not commit this fatal blunder. Among the pressing demands of the day none is so imperative as the demand that we produce a thoroughly trained leadership capable of rightly shaping the destinies of the nation and the world so that not only will

the world be safe for democracy, but that democracy will be safe for the world.

"To supply the need every effort must be made to fill the classrooms of high schools, the Normal Schools and colleges and give to a larger number of the youth of our land that thorough training of body, mind and spirit which will fit them to be the prophets and architects of a new era."

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE OF OUR STUDENT-SONS AT THE FRONT.

At the declaration of war no class of young men in our land heeded the call for military service more quickly or loyally than the great body of students in our educational institutions. The Western Kentucky State Normal School was no exception in this matter. Between four and five hundred of her loyal student-sons answered the call, and are now either in the cantonments or elsewhere in this country preparing for service, or are "Somewhere in France" in actual warfare against the destroyers of the world's peace.

At the approach of the Christmas holiday season the State Normal School made plans to remember these honored sons by sending them a Christmas letter and other more substantial reminders of its affection and esteem. A mass meeting of the faculty and students was held on Saturday morning, December 15th, at which many expressions of esteem and respect for our soldier boys were voiced by both members of the faculty and students, and committees were appointed to prepare Christmas boxes and to present at chapel the following Monday a school letter in the form of a Christmas greeting to our absent boys. On the following Tuesday large boxes filled with Christmas packages containing oranges, apples, nuts, candy, etc., were sent to the boys at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, and at Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Individual boxes were also sent to all of the boys located elsewhere, even to those already in France as far as these addresses could be secured.

The following school letter in the form of a Christmas greeting was sent with the above Christmas boxes to each former student of the school now in service. It was read in the chapel assembly by Professor J. R. Alexander, chairman of the committee representing faculty and students of the Western State Normal School, and was unanimously approved Monday, December 17, 1917.

Love, Respect and Greeting From the Western Kentucky State Normal School to Her Student Soldiers.

We desire to express our deep sense of gratitude, profound respect, and everlasting obligations to you and all your comrades in arms; because we recognize in you the champions of our rights, defenders of our honor, protectors of our homes, and preservers of our nation.

Our pride in you is vaulting, and our faith in you is commensurate with our pride. We congratulate ourselves that in this hour of need we can confidently intrust to your valiant hands and stout hearts all that we hold dearest and most sacred in life; and we congratulate each of you upon your opportunity to play a man's part in the settlement of the most tremendous is-

sue that has ever disturbed the world.

We realize that only a limited number of us can give expression to our patriotism in actual military service; and therefore those of us who are denied the privilege of this nobler service and more glorious sacrifice cannot rise to the level of your high resolve and patriotic purpose; but recognizing our duty to you and your comrades, we CAN and WILL through whatever self-denial or sacrifice the work may demand, go to the limit of our powers in our efforts to sustain and support you in your exalted and unselfish endeavor.

GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING OTHER WORK OF THE CONFERENCE

RURAL HEALTH WORK. Exhibit of the State Board of Health.

The exhibit, in the rotunda of the main building, will be under the personal supervision of the State Board of Health.

Charts showing models and demonstrations of the various phases of public health and rural sanitation will be on exhibition. Many demonstrations will be made.

A statement of the work will be made in the general sessions.

THE COUNTRY ROADS.

In every phase of rural life the road question is fundamental. In the program for rural uplift we have not neglected this important item.

Hon. Rodman Wiley, the State Road Engineer, will be present throughout the week and will have on exhibition drawings, models, etc., for road construction, drain-

age, bridges and grading. He will be ready at all times to give helpful information on any phase of road work.

Mr. Wiley will address the Conference during its session.

THE RURAL MINISTERS' DEPARTMENT.

Ministers in attendance at the Conference will meet, select their own officers and plan their work. Ministers will also be asked to cooperate with and participate in discussions at the meetings of the Rural School section and the Farmers' and Home-makers' section.

THE NEEDS OF TOMORROW

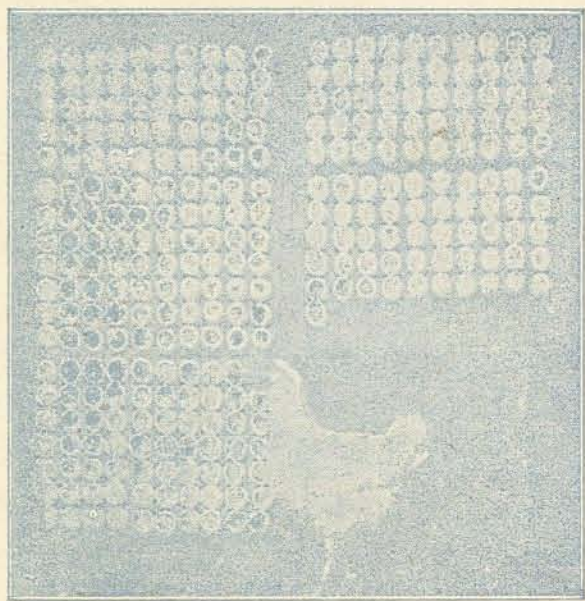
"Thousands of our best trained young men and women have responded to their country's call, for which we thank God and take courage. But who will take their places if they fall? To sacrifice our best upon the altar of freedom is to maintain the highest traditions of the national spirit. But to fail to fill their places may be to make their sacrifice in vain. Not merely for today, but also for tomorrow, the supreme need is that of a trained leadership."

"From the high schools of the United States there were graduated in June more than 200,000 American boys and girls. Ordinarily nearly one-half of these would enter college, normal or technical school in the fall to be prepared for such service as can be rendered only by those who receive a higher education. There is danger that this number will be smaller than usual in the fall of 1917, but to provide for the needs of the future it should be greatly increased."

May
the Year
of Nineteen Hun-
dred Eighteen bring
the Blessings of
Victory and Peace to You
and to our Country. May
it bring You Wealth
of Spirit beyond the Power
of Gold or Silver to Measure—
Twelve Months of Duties Nobly Done;
Fifty-two Weeks of High Endeavor;
and Three Hundred and Sixty-five Days
full and Overflowing with Human Kind-
ness to those about you. May every Hour
prove in you the Truth of the Spirit of
Christianity and Every Moment increase
your Faith in your Fellowmen. Life is
but the Ticking of the Clock as it Beats
Time with your Footsteps on the Road to
Eternity, and may You Hold firm to your Re-
solve to Make it a Triumphant Journey for
Yourself and Your Fellow Travellers; Lifting the
Fallen and Lending a Helping Hand to those in
Misfortune. Then You shall know the True
Secret of Life.

This is the Wish of the Faculty and Students of the Western Kentucky State Normal School for You and Yours during the Year Nineteen Hundred Eighteen and throughout the Host of Years which we hope are in Store for You.

The above New Year's greeting in the appropriate form of the Christmas tree was prepared just before the holiday season by Miss Mattie McLean and was sent, with a calendar attached, by the State Normal School to each of her four hundred loyal student-sons who are now in the service of our country.



THE HEN THAT LAID 291 EGGS IN A YEAR.
Poultry business will receive careful consideration during the Conference.

NEW CATALOG.

THE NEW CATALOG OF THE WESTERN KENTUCKY STATE NORMAL SCHOOL HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE PRINTER AND IS NOW READY FOR DISTRIBUTION. IT WILL BE FURNISHED ONLY THOSE WHO ASK OR WRITE FOR IT. MID-WINTER TERM OPENS TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1918; SPRING TERM OPENS TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1918; SUMMER TERM, OR SCHOOL, OPENS MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1918. PERSONS DESIRING FURTHER INFORMATION SHOULD ADDRESS H. H. CHERRY, PRESIDENT WESTERN KENTUCKY STATE NORMAL, BOWLING GREEN, KY.

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